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Thank You Vietnam Veterans



noto by Gustavo Bahena, Public Affairs Offic

Alexander Primero, pictured with wife Delia, served two tours with the U.S. Army in Vietnam during 1968 to 1971. They both attended the 50th Vietnam Veterans Commemoration ceremony here, April 18. He enlisted after completing ROTC at Garfield High School (class of '66) in East Los Angeles and served with A Company, 326th Engineers, 101st Airborne Division. In one tour, he was stationed at Camp Eagle near the DMZ.

By Sgt. 1st Class Carlos Lazo

302nd Mobile Public Affairs Detachment

He stood up in front of them all – atop the stage and having just completed his introduction – and, looking across the audience, he clapped and said something many had told him before, "Welcome home."

This is how Brig. Gen. Joseph Martin, commanding general of the National Training Center and Fort Irwin, began the official ceremony April 18, for the Commemoration of the 50th Anniversary of the Vietnam War, addressing the hundreds of Vietnam Veterans in attendance.

"Thank you" and "Welcome home." Both were said over and over to the Veterans by all the speakers, Soldiers, family members and the community. The day began with a parade and motorcycle ride from the nearby city of Barstow to the gate of the remote desert post. All along the way the road was filled with classic cars, motorcycles, and military vehicles. Hundreds of members of the Fort Irwin community lined the streets to welcome the Veterans, waving and clapping as they approached.

Upon the Veterans' arrival, the commemoration moved to a field with displays, vendors, and a massive tent full of tables and a stage. The entrance to the tent displayed the flags of all 50 states, and, as they made their way inside, Veterans and family members were greeted by dozens of volunteers, the installation's leadership group, local government officials and organizers.

"It was wonderful," said Jim Welte, a Vietnam Veteran who served in the Navy. "It made me cry to shake hands, see my friends."

Handshakes, hugs, greetings, laughs and smiles filled the tent from end to end. All around, the mood was one of joy and appreciation. As Martin took the stage, he continued it with thanking all the Veterans for their service, and greeting them with the words current servicemembers receive upon return from deployments – "Welcome home."

"Those that have served during that period of time in our nation's history didn't receive the appropriate welcome when they came home, which they deserved," Martin said.

That sentiment has changed, he added, thanks to the service by Vietnam Veterans.

"We understood that regardless of political affiliation, regardless of your beliefs, your ideals, we universally support

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Army Values

Choosing to act, intervene for fellow humans

Story and photos by Gustavo Bahena

Public Affairs Office

The Fort Irwin community honored the annual Days of Remembrance observance with a ceremony here, April 8.

The national commemoration period this year is April 12-19 and the 2015 theme is "Learning from the Holocaust: Choosing to Act." Congress established Days of Remembrance as the nation's annual commemoration of the Holocaust and created the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum as a permanent living memorial to the victims, according to the museum's Web site.

The Web site explains that the Holocaust was the systematic, bureaucratic, state-sponsored persecution and murder of six million Jews by the Nazi regime and its collaborators. The Nazis, who came to power in Germany in January 1933, believed that Germans were "racially superior" and that the Jews, deemed "inferior," were an alien threat to the so-called German racial community. The Holocaust took place in the broader context of World War II and by the end of the war in spring 1945, as the Germans and their Axis partners were pushed back on both fronts, Allied troops uncovered the full extent of crimes committed during the Holocaust.

At the ceremony, a lighting of seven candles remembered the victims of the Holocaust. A video provided insight about the Holocaust and Dental Clinic Command Soldiers and employees read narra-



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tives of people who chose to act, saving the lives of Jewish people during the war. The readings described the actions of Bishop Chryostomos of Greece, Marion Pritchard of the Netherlands, Tatyana Kontsevich of Ukraine, and Alfred Rossner of Germany, among others.

Commander of Dental Clinic Command, Col. Todd Kimura, spoke at the ceremony and said the "individuals we have learned about today, 75 years later, demonstrated the ethical and timeless value of dignity and respect to the highest standard."

"These individuals chose to act and intervene on behalf of their fellow humans," Kimura said. "Do you think it was easy to make the decision to act? This may have been easy for some and may have been much more difficult for others. What makes it so difficult

to make the right decision? I know this is one of the reasons why our government and our Army invest so much money, time and effort towards the EO and EEO program.

"The EO and EEO program is not just for entertainment or to taste different types of foods, but to develop our awareness so we can make the right choices, the right ethical choices and act in the right way whenever the situation may arise.

"Who knows, I made not even be here if someone hadn't chosen to act on my behalf. Choosing to act for the right cause is the warrior ethos. Being a good battle buddy, a Good Samaritan – regardless of our cultural diversity – is relevant to every generation. One person can make a difference by choosing to act."



Leadership, Soldiers and employees of Dental Clinic Command sponsored and supported the 2015 Fort Irwin Days of Remembrance ceremony here, Arpil 8. Front row, from left: Col. Todd Kimura, Tiffany Holiday, Sherrie Peterson, Spc. Ricky Snipes, Spc. Angel Perez, Sgt. Huong Huynh, Spc. Andrea Norvell and Staff Sgt. Jonathan Rivera. Back row, from left: Staff Sgt. Jose Arce, Capt. Trevor Miller, Pvt. Patrick Perry, Capt. Michael Wygant, Spc. Sean Jordan and Spc. Simeon Few. The group read narratives about the actions of individuals who chose to act and save the lives of Jewish people during World War II.

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Garrison command team: welcoming Veterans, supporting communities, advocating safety

By Gustavo Bahena

Public Affairs Office

The United States Army Garrison Fort Irwin command team of Col. Jon Braga and Command Sgt. Maj. Carlos Esmurria recently had the opportunity to interact with the post community, and welcome Veterans and members of the public from Southern California and beyond.

The highlight of this spring, undoubtedly, would have been the 50th Vietnam Veterans Commemoration Ceremony held here, April 18. More than 300 Veterans of the Vietnam War era participated in the event, said Esmurria.

Many of those Veterans are networked with local Veteran service organizations, explained Braga, however there were some who came from Arizona, Carlisle, Pa., Kansas City, Mo., Maine and Virginia. Braga spoke to Darryl Johnson, a homeless U.S. Navy Veteran from the Riverside, Calif., area, who felt compelled to attend.

Braga described seeing Veterans arrive on motorcycles and some who are disabled – transported on a bus from the Barstow Veterans Home – as awesome and gratifying.

"It was a proper welcome home and a day of thanks," Braga said.

The colonel emphasized that interactions amongst Veterans and Soldiers, who supported the ceremony, was the best part

for many he spoke with that afternoon. The Veterans were presented coins and pins, which were sponsored by the Department of Defense, Braga said.

"We had 100 servicemembers sit at the tables and interact personally with Veterans," Braga stated. "The Veterans were 'coined' by those active duty Soldiers. And that, I heard from multiple Vietnam Veterans, meant more to them than anything else throughout the day. That personal relationship with an active duty Soldier – one generation to the next – that was the best part of the day."

Esmurria recalled a couple of occasions speaking with Soldiers, who understood and acknowledged the significance of meeting and speaking with Vietnam Veterans. One young Soldier, operating a weapons exhibit, pointed out that an M16 rifle needed to be added to the display. The iconic rifle was first used extensively in Vietnam and Esmurria explained that showcasing it was very considerate.

"Here was a young Soldier who was eager to bridge the gap between the Veterans and today's Soldiers," Esmurria said. "He was concerned enough to say, 'Hey we understand what you've done and we appreciate you. Here is how we've taken what you gave us (the M16) and how it has evolved in the military. So, you had a lot of Soldiers out there that day, who in different conversations, were bridging that gap."



Another Soldier approached Esmurria at the concert and declared that it was the best event he had attended.

"He was a young specialist from the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment," Esmurria stated. "You could see that it was a very emotional event for him ... a life-changing event that signified what it meant to truly be an American Soldier in today's environment."

Braga thanked the collective effort of the

installation, Barstow, the USO of Ontario, and all the sponsors – for making the day special. For some Veterans it was their first event since the war. Braga heard some Veterans say:

"It was the best day of my life."

Memorial Day

"Memorial Day is not about cookouts, hot dogs and balloons," Braga said.

Texting, speeding, high beams – a reminder for all drivers

Article and photo by Leslie Ozawa

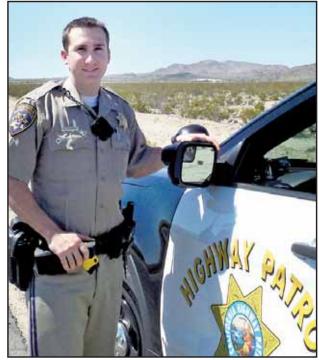
Public Affairs Office

California Highway Patrol public information officer Ryan Camara was interviewed by the installation's Public Affairs Office. His comments are supplemented with related highway safety information from the AAA Foundation and CHP public Web sites. Officer Camara has been with the CHP for two-and-a-half years as a patrol officer and the public information officer for the High Desert area since October 2014.

- 1. How dangerous is texting and driving? In 2013, the California Department of Motor Vehicles reported more than 426,000 hand-held cell phone and texting convictions, with more than 57,000 tickets issued in April alone, according to the California Office of Traffic Safety. In 2014, 61 percent of California drivers surveyed said they had been hit or nearly hit by a driver who was talking or texting on a cell phone. In 2014, the CHP Barstow office recorded 327 cell phone citations in this patrol area.
- **2. Who's a typical texter?** It's pretty common among young drivers ... but really, they're across the board, from 16-years-old and up. I investigated a collision of a teenager on two-lane county road. She was texting while driving and was approaching a right-hand curve. She went into the other lane, saw she was in the wrong lane and pulled right to get back, and lost control.

She went onto the right shoulder and up the dirt embankment and overturned several times. She was driving a two-door small passenger car. In this case, the air bag did not deploy because it wasn't a sudden stop. She was a local resident, driving on the National Trails Highway, west of Barstow.

- 3. What about hands-free cell phone holders or internet devices built into vehicles? Hands-free devices are legal and definitely a great tool to use. However, drivers can still be distracted. You can have both hands on the wheel, which is what the law wants, but still be distracted in your conversation, splitting your mind in two directions. It's important to realize you can still be distracted. Drivers should note that in using headphones, you can use only one earpiece. You need to have one ear able to hear sirens. I see people with ear buds plugged into both ears
- **4. What are other types of distracted driving?** I've seen people reading books, putting on makeup, getting into verbal arguments, focused on conversation, eating. I've also seen a person writing something while driving, on a notepad. Also, road rage it's more common than you think. You see slow drivers, drivers that cut you off, weaving in and out of traffic, speeding up when someone tries to pass you, brake tapping. If that happens, call 911, but let the person continue on. Don't provoke or be provoked.
- 5. How about sleepy drivers? We see that a lot, with long,



California Highway Patrol Officer Ryan Camara

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Soldiers, community in Denim Day Walk support victims

By Gustavo Bahena

Public Affairs Office

Leadership, Soldiers, Department of the Army civilians and community members of this installation took part in the 2015 Denim Day Walk here, April 8.

The community event demonstrated support for victims of sexual assault and one of this month's national observances – Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention. The Department of Defense theme for this year's campaign is "Eliminate Sexual Assault: Know Your Part, Do Your Part."

This was the third year Fort Irwin conducted the march, which began with a formation of post units and was coordinated by the installation Sexual Harassment/Assault Response and Prevention program.

National Training Center and Fort Irwin Commander Brig. Gen. Joseph Martin, his spouse Lean Martin, NTC Command Sgt. Maj. Stephen Travers and NTC staff led the procession through several streets. The 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment Horse Detachment and units followed.

Participants wore denim in solidarity with the origins of Denim Day.

Martin spoke to the post-wide

formation assembled on the blue track here and said the campaign against sexual assault is about prevention, intervention and being there for those who are survivors of sexual assault. He explained that serving, working and supporting the Army is to be part of a team that intervenes on behalf of individuals in need of help.

"I took an oath, I made a pledge," Martin said. "'I Joe Martin, pledge to take a strong committed affirmative and forever stand to protect my fellow Soldiers, family members and DA civilians against sexual violence. I pledge never to be a bystander, and I'll ensure Soldiers, family members and DA civilians are treated with dignity and respect at all times. 'I Am Strong,'

"So, as we march together, today, on this third annual Denim Day I ask you to think about that pledge and be there for your fellow Soldier, civilian and family member so we can eliminate sexual assault, sexual harassment and violence for our team of teams here."

The commander described a strategy against sexual assault as starting at the smallest level, where innuendos or statements should be addressed immediately.

"Hey, what that person just did or

said does not reflect our Army values," Martin described a scenario. "That's where we get after this. That's when we have culture change, where at the lowest level possible we see something and we say, 'This is not within our Army values, I don't support that and I'm going to stand up against it."

Martin also emphasized intervention in situations where an incident is about to occur. He stressed the resources available to help, such as law enforcement, chain of command, and leaders of the community.

Maj. Robyn Boehringer, SHARP manager, explained in a previous news article that Denim Day began after a rapist's conviction and sentence was overturned in Italy by that country's supreme court. The chief judge argued, "because the victim wore very, very tight jeans, she had to help him remove them, and by removing the jeans it was no longer rape, but consensual sex." Additionally, the Italian supreme court stated in its decision, "it is a fact of common experience that it is nearly impossible to slip off tight jeans even partly without the active collaboration of the person who is wearing them."

The women in the Italian parliament launched into immediate action

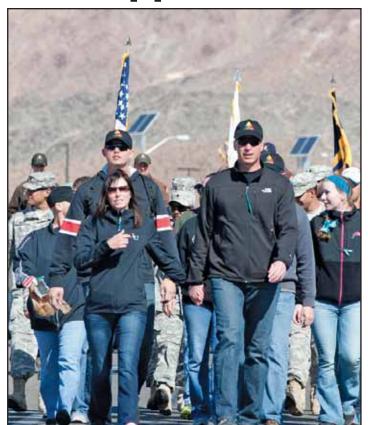


Photo by Guy Volb, Public Affairs Office

National Training Center and Fort Irwin Commander Brig. Gen. Joseph Martin, his spouse Lean Martin, and NTC staff led the procession through several streets on Fort Irwin.

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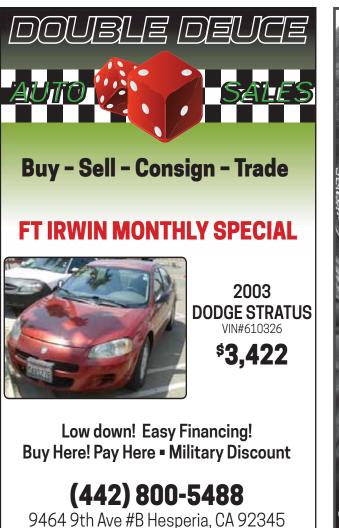






Photo by Casey Slusser, TASC

Leadership, Soldiers and Fort Irwin community members walk on B Avenue as they pass First Street on Fort Irwin during the Denim Day Walk, April 8.







WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US THROUGHOUT THE MONTH TO RAISE FUNDS FOR VETERANS VILLAGE IN DOWNTOWN LAS VEGAS.

MAY 1 - 31

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MAY8

Moms eat free. Samuel Adams Grille. Happy Mothers Day!

MAY 15-17

56th Armed Forces Day Celebration. Torrance, Calif. May 15, military exhibits (10 a.m.-7 p.m.) and concerts (1:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.); May 16, parade (1:30 p.m.) and military exhibits (3-8 p.m.); May 17, military exhibits, 11 a.m.- 3 p.m. Got to http:// www.torranceca.gov/27207.htm for detailed schedule.

MAY 12

MCSC Luncheon. 11 a.m. Sam Adams Grille. Join and RSVP by May 6 at www.mcscftirwin.org. "Everything Derby" luncheon don't forget your hat for the contest. Southern buffet, \$15.

Consolidated College Graduation Ceremony. 6 p.m. Post Chapel. Fort Irwin Education Center hosts annual graduation ceremony. Contact Greg Murakami, 380-4643.

MAY 13

Asian Pacific Heritage Month celebration. 11:30 a.m. Sandy Basin Community Center.

MAY 23

Tour de Irwin. 6:30 a.m. Outdoor Rec at 4100 Goldstone Rd. Men's and women's 41-mile individual race, 10-mile individual race and 2.5-mile youth race. Register at Outdoor Rec. Call 380-4327 for prices.

MAY 25

Memorial Day observances in the High Desert. Mountain View Cemetery in Barstow. Desert View Memorial Park, 11500 Amargosa Road in Victorville; Sunset Hills Memorial Park, 24000 Waalew Road in Apple Valley.

MAY 30

CYSS Rotational Saturdays day care. 6 a.m.- 6 p.m. Cactus Corner CDC, building 4150. \$4 per hour by reservation; \$8 reservation fee. Reserve by May 25. Minimum of 15 reservations required for service, 380-9441.

May 3-9 is Public Service Recognition Week

By The Partnership for Public Service

Celebrated the first full week in May since 1985, Public Service Recognition Week is a time set aside to honor the men and women who serve our nation as federal, state, county and local government employees.

Our theme for PSRW 2015 is Government Works. Public servants do amazing things across our great nation, around the world, and in

your hometown and community. The week is a perfect time to inform the American people about what public employees do, why they do it and how well they do it. Additionally, we want to foster pride among public servants and introduce the public to the wide range of employment opportunities in government.

At the heart of PSRW is the opportunity to invigorate government workers by offering them the thanks



they richly deserve but seldom receive. During this week-long celebration, it's important to honor public employees and tell them their dedication and service are noticed and appreciated.

Middle School and Teen Center Events

May 1 Youth Choice, Free Play. Tech choice

May 4 Mini Door, Youth Choice, Mad Libs, Persuasion

May 5 Sombreros, Math Worksheet, Propaganda

May 6 Drawing Bags, Fun w/Definitions, Creating Propaganda

May 7 Burlap Wallet, Cross Word, Healthy Media

May 8 Youth Choice, Free Play, Food & Math, Tech

May 11 Cloud Jars, Youth Choice, Ways to say "bye", Hidden Messages

May 12 Key Chains, Tell Time, First Media

May 13 Sun Catchers, Fix The Sentence, Petroglyphs

May 14 Letter Art, I Spy

May 15, Youth Choice, Free Play, Tech Choice May 18 Glass Magnets, Youth Choice, Word Search,

May 19 Gemstone Frames, Comic Strip, Print Ads

May 20 Jewelry Making, Bingo

May 21 Bath Salts, School Year Review

May 22 Youth Choice, Free Play, Tech Choice

May 25 Soap Creations, Youth Choice, Tell Time, Bill-

May 26 Sand Globes, Fun w/Definitions

May 27 Bubbles, Spy

May 28 Sharpie Tie Dye, Mad Libs

May 29 Youth Choice, Tech Choice



Fort Irwin Religious Support

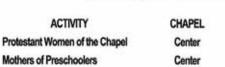
AWANA Boys & Girls club

Worship Services

SERVICE	CHAPEL	TIME, DAY
Catholic Mass	Post theater	9 a.m., Sunday
General Protestant	Post theater	11 a.m., Sunday
lulti-cultural Gospel	Blackhorse	1 p.m., Sunday
Latter Day Saints	Blackhorse	Noon, Sunday
ly Mass & Confession	Center	11:30 a.m., Thursday
Islamic Prayer	Annex	12:30 p.m., Friday
Catholic Mass	Post Theater	9 a.m., 1st Sat. of month

Recurring Chapel Activities

Annex



Catholic Women of the Chapel Middle School Girls - Small Group High School Girls - Small Group High School Boys - Small Group

Pacific Islander Bible Study th Earth Based

TIME, DAY 9 a.m. & 6 p.m., Tuesday 9-11:30 a.m., 1st & 3rd Wed. Center 4 p.m., Wednesday 9 a.m., Thursday Center Annex/The Rock 6 p.m., Monday 6 p.m., Thursday Annex/The Rock Center 6 p.m., Thursday Blackhorse Annex 4:30 p.m., Sunday

4 p.m., Tuesday

Movies

4 p.m. Home (PG)

7 p.m. Furious 7 (PG-13)

7 p.m. The Gunman (R)

7 p.m. Get Hard (R)

7 p.m. The Divergent Series: Insurgent Two (PG-13)

May 15

May 16

May 17

May 22

May 23

7 p.m. Avengers: Age of Ultron (PG-13)

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7 p.m. The Divergent Series: Insurgent Two (PG-13) May 9

4 p.m. Home (PG) 7 p.m. Strange Magic (PG)

4 p.m. Home (PG) 7 p.m. Furious 7 (PG-13)

Tickets: Adult - \$5.00/3D-\$7.00, Children 6-11 - \$2.50/3D-\$4.50 Five and Under are FREE. This schedule is subject to change at the last minute to accommodate changes in movies and free showings. ID cards are required from all personnel not in uniform when purchasing movie tickets. For more information and movie updates, call 380-3490.



Bringing smiles to people's faces

Story and photo by Leslie Ozawa

Public Affairs Office

"He was that way before the accident, and now, to see that his spirit hasn't changed one iota, despite his disability, is just amazing. It's just medicine for the soul," said Lynn Thompson, Fort Irwin Exchange general manager.

That's how Thompson described Jesus Aguilar, who returned to work at Fort Irwin's Burger King restaurant on

Aguilar was the most seriously hurt of the two Burger King employees injured when their Victor Valley Transit Authority commuter bus collided with a parked truck about 10 minutes from the main gate, June 2. The accident injured seven passengers and the driver, and also killed Fort Irwin employee Dail Keiper.

Aguilar said he was asleep on the bus when the accident happened.

"I didn't come around until after it happened," Aguilar recounted. "I saw the result with the metal and glass. I didn't know I was missing an arm. Mike Chestnut (another Fort Irwin employee on the bus) kept me calm. I was apparently losing all that blood and didn't know it."

Aguilar was treated at a hospital in Loma Linda, Calif., for the next seven days, where his right arm had to be amputated. He then moved to a wound-care facility in Apple Valley for five months, including stints in a hyperbaric chamber for three months, to speed up the healing, and more surgery through December, to remove wound tissue that wouldn't heal. In November, Aguilar finally returned to Barstow, to recover at home.

"When it happened to me, I decided I could be either bitter and angry, or I could just move on from it" - Jesus Aguilar.

On the morning of the accident, Thompson was in Las Vegas, when she got the calls on her cell phone that two of her employees were hurt. Thompson was at the airport, waiting to pick up her daughter and grand-daughter and to take them on some tours there.

"We went back to the hotel, checked out, and came right back," Thompson said. "The next day, we (she and other Exchange employees) flooded in to see him at the hospital. He was already ready to come back to work. You hear about these incredible people, but to actually witness it, and to see that amount of courage on the very next day ... he did more for me than what I could have done for him. To see him and to see Naomi (Naomi Bridget, the other Burger King employee injured in the accident, who also returned to work) was just amazing."

"When it happened to me, I decided I could be either bitter and angry, or I could just move on from it," Aguilar said. "The first couple of days, just eating was a challenge. Also, learning how to shave left-handed."

Helping Aguilar ease back into work are not only his fellow employees and managers, but a job coach from BEST Opportunities, a Barstow non-profit agency that also mentors other Barstow-area residents working on post and other areas near Barstow.

"When this happened about nine months ago, it was real devastating for the whole team," said Burger King manager Mysea Bell. "It touched every single person in here. We have team members that have PCS'd out (reassigned to other military installations), and they're still asking, how is he doing."

So were the customers, said Thomas.

"I was speaking to a guest in the dining room this morning, and he said that when he walked in and saw Jesus, the first thing Jesus asked him was if he wanted his coffee with two cups of creamer, one packet of sugar ... He remembers his customers," Thomas said.

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Resilience

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It's such customer care that made Aguilar the top employee in military sales as a drive-through cashier at Burger King, said Bell.

"He's been back since February 2, but this is the first time he's in the store," Bell said. "He went to BEST Opportunities in Barstow for about a week. They provided him training, to get used to using only the left hand, to get him familiar with the cash register. He was able to complete his Burger King counter service training online. When he came back the first day, he was a little hesitant, but the second day, he rocked. He was quick with his movement. He didn't miss a beat. And we're gradually moving him to other things."

Aguilar, who grew up in Hinkley but recently moved to Barstow, still takes the bus to work, getting on the VVTA bus at the stop near the Barstow cemetery at 4:20 a.m.

"I come in early, get some sleep, and if they need me early, I clock in," Aguilar explained. "I've been working here a lot of years. I enjoy it, interacting with the customers. The money is good, but I enjoy bringing smiles to people's faces. Especially if they're having a bad day."

Jesus Aguilar (right), Burger King employee, serves a customer his breakfast. BEST Opportunities job coach Angelika Felix was coaching Aguilar on his second day of work after an accident resulted in the amputation of his right arm.



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Keep moving forward

By Gustavo Bahena

Public Affairs Office

Sometimes it is hard to listen to the voice of reason, even one based on many years of experience.

That is human nature.

But when that experience is suited in an Army uniform, and has been the last 29 years, it should be easy to acknowledge. The Army thinks so, and that is why it fills battalion command sergeant major positions with Soldiers who have gained leadership experience through good times and hard times, through peace and war.

One such Soldier is Command Sgt. Maj. Raymond Rodriguez of the 1916th Support Battalion, 916th Support Brigade, at the National Training Center. Having arrived here about 10 months ago to his first command sergeant major role, he believes in inspiring and being pragmatic with the Soldiers and non-commissioned officers in his unit

The battalion commander, Lt. Col. Marshanna Gipson, explained the role of Rodriguez as her advisor on all enlisted matters with the Desert Warriors, as the organization is known.

"Command Sgt. Maj. Rodriguez has the pulse of the unit and is uniquely able to assess if or when we need to re-shift our focus to ensure we are caring for our Soldiers and their Families," Gipson said.

Rodriguez said he acknowledges that at this point in his career he strives to encourage and mentor, and imparts that philosophy to his NCOs – the next generation of sergeant majors and first sergeants. They must do the same with younger Soldiers, who will fight the nation's next wars. He said it is about asking NCOs, "What are they do-



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ing to mentor or inspire others?"

Gipson stated that her right-hand man takes the unit's vision and pushes the battalion towards that vision and mission success.

"He shares my commitment and passion to the organization and its success," Gipson said. "Command Sgt. Maj. Rodriguez understands it is about doing what needs to be done for the collective good of the organization."

The senior NCO described discussions with Soldiers who were considering leaving the Army when their expiration term of service approached. He asked them if they had a plan for life after the Army. Once dialogue was established, Soldiers articulated ideas and desires and were able to re-enlist and, in one case, re-classify to a different military occupational specialty.

"So, if they're going to ETS – if they're going to get out – what is their plan?" Rodriguez inquires. "And a lot of times, you'll find out they don't have a plan because they haven't been asked that question."

Rodriguez recognizes that at times he did not have a plan (before enlisting) or had fully developed a plan for career advancement (after having served for some years). Originally from Long Island, N.Y., he recited the oath of enlistment at 18 and came in as a human resources Soldier.

He is still human resources, but don't let his branch convince you he's been clutching a desk all these years. And don't let his tabs, assignments (13 years with Special Operations) and deployments make you think he'll reveal details. You won't get war stories out of him. Those distinctions only reinforce his character as that of a quiet professional.

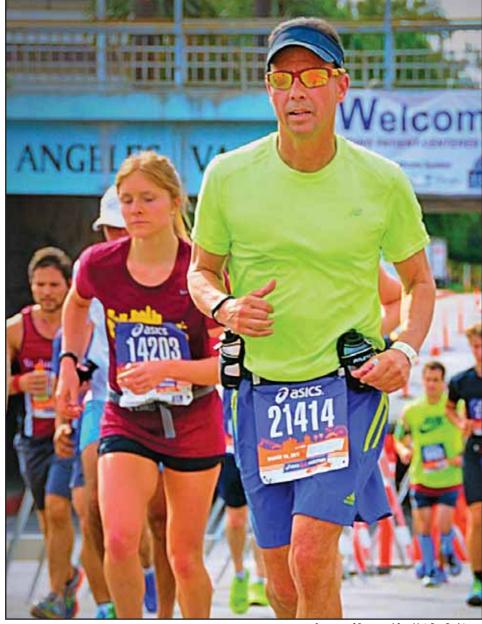
The trainings and schools he's completed is a testament of his desire to look forward and accomplish goals, and now serve as an example to all Soldiers. He went through Ranger school, jumpmaster training, high altitude-low opening parachutist school, and Survival Evasion Resistance and Escape training. He took advantage of opportunities and doors that opened up, he said.

"Never say you can't," Rodriguez said. "Always have the attitude that you can, be strong, keep on moving forward and don't let go of your goals."

Planning career progression is critical, Rodriguez said. He learned that lesson from an NCO who impressed on him that he needed to start mapping out his career.

"You are going to be ultimately responsible," Rodriguez said about professional development. "As long as you have a plan and it's realistic and obtainable, you are going to be able to accomplish it."

His driver, Spc. Giovany Aguirre, said his boss encourages him to attend military schools and work on civilian education.



Courtesy of Command Sgt. Maj. Ray Rodriguez

Command Sgt. Maj. Raymond (Ray) Rodriguez, command sergeant major of 1916th Support Battalion here, runs the Los Angeles Marathon, March 15. He completed the 26.2-mile event in 4:16:20 hours. He concedes that not everyone can run a marathon, but there are smaller races, just as there are various steps in achieving goals in life. A lot of the times it's about finishing, but finishing strong, he said.

Rodriguez's advice includes: have mental toughness, positive attitude, heart, and dedication in order to overcome the obstacles that may arise.

"I have attended several Soldier of the month and quarter boards since his arrival," Aguirre stated. "He has given me purpose and motivation to be a leader."

Rodriguez applies his approach to success in the Army to marathon running. He recently completed the Los Angeles event with a time of 4:16:20 hours. He only started running 26.2-mile races a few years ago and has run nine. Again, planning and training is imperative.

"I apply fitness in the way I deal with my life: What you put in is what you get out of it," Rodriguez said. "If you're aggressive in your career and you plan and you train, you will be successful. If you don't do that in a marathon, in your planning and training, you will not do well."

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there are various steps in achieving goals in life. A lot of the times it's about finishing, but finishing strong, he said. He stresses looking forward at the possibilities and not letting the past hinder growth.

"Don't blame your upbringing, don't blame the things that you had in your rearview mirror, talk about what you're looking forward about changing," Rodriguez emphasized. "You have to change yourself and then stay on that path, and I'll tell you, the rewards will happen. It might not happen during the time that you want them to happen, but they will happen."

Gipson described her battle buddy's running as an outlet from the challenges of being in a key leadership position and as a tactic for staying resilient.

"We each have a race or marathon to run in life," Gipson stated. "It is not about how we run it, but rather how we finish. Command Sgt. Maj. Rodriquez inspires me to run my own race in life, be resilient, and have a strong finish."

Don't be fast, furious when buying a car

By Capt. R. Tristan de Vega

Fort Irwin Legal Assistance Office

The key to avoiding legal issues with big ticket purchases is to remove emotion from the equation.

Let's take a look at how this applies to a popular big ticket purchase among Soldiers: the automobile. Before you drop a chunk of change on that new tricked-out "whip," remove the

emotion from the equation; do the research! Go beyond looking at what kind of modifications you can add on, or whether the car comes in your favorite color. You can find more than just kitten videos and memes on the Internet; you can use the Internet to create a monthly budget, determine whether a car payment fits within your budget, how much you can expect to pay in associated costs like maintenance and insurance, as well as the best place to buy. The hours you spend researching could save you thousands of dollars.

The research process doesn't end when you've decided which car to buy and whom to buy it from. Don't overlook one of the most important parts of car buying: the purchase agreement. Yes, there are a lot of pages filled with terms you're not familiar with and reading them makes you zone-out faster than when your platoon sergeant gives the same weekly safety brief. Yes, the shiny keys and even shinier ride will be yours once you sign that confusing document, but it is incredibly important to read the entire agreement before giving the salesman your signature.

This document details your obligations to the dealership and

contains provisions that limit your ability to get out of a bad deal. If there are terms within the purchase agreement that you don't completely understand, ask the salesman for a copy of the contract and make an appointment with an attorney at the Legal Assistance Office here. We can help translate the purchase agreement's legal terms so you'll know exactly how they affect you. Don't let the salesman pressure you into making a decision on the spot; don't forget that you are paying him, so take the time you need to make an informed decision.

If you encounter problems after you've purchased the vehicle, again remember: remove emotion from the equation. It is really easy to become angry when you feel that you've been

wronged. Instead of letting your frustration make things worse, channel your energy into productive action. Start to gather proof of what happened: videos, pictures, and contact information of anyone who witnessed the problem occur. Re-read your purchase agreement to see if it provides you with a way to fix the problem. Notify the dealership about the problem and then give them a chance to fix it. If the dealership refuses to help or gives you a solution that doesn't sound right, make an appointment to see an attorney at the Legal Assistance Office. We will provide you with your legal options, as well as connect you to the appropriate agencies, to ensure that you're fully maximizing your rights. Lastly, avoid the barrack's lawyers; while they may be well meaning, what worked for "a friend of a buddy" may not apply to you.

If you have legal assistance questions, call the Fort Irwin Legal Assistance Office at 380-5321. Hours of operation are Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. (Thursdays, 1 to 4 p.m.). The Office is located in building 230.

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NCOs now Battle Staff ready

Story and photo by Jason Miller

Public Affairs Office

Fourteen United States Army Soldiers graduated from a Battle Staff Non-commissioned Officer Course after a demanding 25 days of instruction here, March 31.

During the graduation Sgt. Maj. Joe Chadwick III, operations sergeant major with Operations Group, spoke on the opportunities the course gives to the newly graduated.

"You have had the privilege of learning information that's not available to many until they attend the Sergeants Major Academy," Chadwick said. "This provides you unprecedented opportunities to serve in positions where your experience can be a benefit to the mission command process."

Sergeant First Class, Alan Caldwell, battle staff graduate, shared his thoughts on what this means to him.

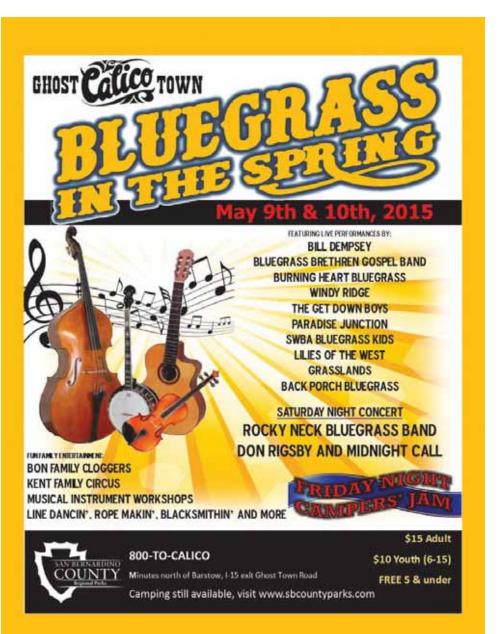
"We need to be able to communicate with our officers and bring to the table the knowledge and experiences we have," Caldwell said. "This gives us more of a voice and we have a huge opportunity to shape the Army, future leaders and be able to pass our knowledge on instead of keeping it."

The course prepares selected NCOs for future battle staff positions throughout the Army and gives them tools necessary to become familiar with duties and responsibilities assigned to staff members in battalion and brigade-level units – according to the USASMA Web site.



Photo courtesy of Capt. Jason King

Capt. Jason King and his younger brother Master Sgt. Joshua King competed in the 2015 Best Ranger Competition at Fort Benning, Ga., April 10-12.





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our servicemembers – no matter what – who go on and fight our nation's war," Martin said.

moderator guided the audience's attention to an empty table guest speakers addressing the honored guests.

missing in action."

Following the Missing Man ceremony, attendees ate lunch for District 33. and spoke with current servicemembers and community mem-The ceremony moved on to a more somber mood as the bers. Following lunch the ceremony resumed with numerous mingled and spoke with current servicemembers and Vet-

Among the speakers were: Medal of Honor Recipient "This is a special table," said Sgt. Cristina Moriset, of Harold Fritz; Congressman Paul Cook, representing Cali-Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1916th Support fornia's 8th Congressional District, and ; Maj. Gen. (Ret.) with more than 30 years of service, had some advice for young to honor our fallen and missing servicemembers, who made advisor to the U.S. Vietnam War Commemoration. Other the ultimate sacrifice or are listed as prisoners of war or attendees included Julie Hackbarth-McIntyre, mayor of military to stay in, be professional, then do your duty, be of Barstow, and Jay Obernolte, California State Assemblyman honor and respect for the service."

As the ceremony concluded, Vietnam War Veterans erans from the Iraq and Afghanistan wars, discussing their experience and thanking each other for their support.

Robert Washington, a retired command sergeant major

"Be professional," Washington said. "If you choose the



(Left to right) National Training Center and Fort Irwin Commander Brig. Gen. Joseph Martin, Maj. Gen. (Ret.) James Jackson and 1st Lt. Derek Funkhouser greeted Vietnam Veterans here, April 18. Jackson is the senior advisor to the Vietnam War Commemoration organization and Funkhouser is aid-de-camp to Martir



Photo by Spc. Isaac Sanders, 302nd Mobile Public Affairs Detachment

Soldiers of the 916th Support Brigade conduct a Missing Man Ceremony during the 50th Anniversary Commemoration of the Vietnam War here, April 18.



Vietnam Veterans join Mark Farner, former lead singer/guitarist of Grand Funk Railroad, on stage for the final tribute at the 50th Vietnam Veterans Commemoration Ceremony here, April 18.



Photo by Gustavo Bahena, Public Affairs Office

Congressional Medal of Honor recipient Lt. Col. (Ret.) Harold Fritz was the keynote speaker at the 50th Vietnam Veterans Commemoration Ceremony here, April 18. He was awarded the Medal of Honor for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty in Vietnam, 1969.



Vietnam War era Veterans gathered for a group photo in front of Painted Rocks at the National Training Center and Fort Irwin, April 18.



Youth Explorers with the Army Cadets of Bakersfield Post 185 greeted and cheered Vietnam Veterans to a Fort Irwin ceremony commemorating their service, April 18.



Photo by Gustavo Bahena, Public Affairs Office

Vietnam Veterans and supporters rode motorcycle in a parade at the 50th Vietnam Veterans Commemoration Ceremony on Fort Irwin, April 18.

Your Troopers

11th ACR leads Army in GCSS-A

Story and photo by Sgt. Erik Thurman

Public Affairs, 11th ACR

The 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment is at the forefront of U.S. Army logistics by leading the service in the transition from the Standard Army Management Information System to the Global Combat Support System – Army, a new computer-based system designed to manage the Army's supply chain.

The GCSS-Army is a single logistical information system that tracks equipment, maintenance, purchasing and accountability.

"GCSS-Army is based on a commercial industry software program called SAP (Systems, Applications, and Products), and SAP is used by logistics organizations across the globe," said Kathleen Miller, Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff (Logistics) for the Department of the Army.

Miller traveled here to see how Soldiers of the 11th ACR are implementing the new system.

"It's used by large automotive companies, large engine manufacturing companies, and airline and airframe manufacturers – so, it's a known commodity in the commercial industry," Miller said.

She explained that what was done in cooperation with the Army's systems integrators was use a special version of SAP – a defense forces public sector that has been developed specifically for armies.

The transition is part of a broader Army goal to achieve 'end-to-end' transparency by 2017, in accordance with the 2010 National Defense Authorization Act. Yet by and large, it is about improving the Army.

Unlike STAMIS, GCSS-Army is a centralized system that overcomes the shortfalls of the former STAMIS 'stovepipe' construction. When technicians refer to a 'stovepipe system' they are referring to a system made up of sev-



Kathleen Miller, assistant deputy chief of staff (Logistics) for the Department of the Army, observes the supply chain process with Soldiers assigned to Maintenance Troop, Regimental Support Squadron, 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment during her visit to their facility to see the implementation of the Global Combat Support System - Army.

eral software programs for handling separate tasks, but often rely on secondary programs to communicate. The redundant information infrastructure had in the past, led to miscommunication between users, adding unnecessary cost when meeting supply demands.

As a single program, GCSS-Army can instead, follow a piece of military equipment from the time it is purchased until it arrives on

station. The system then predicts the maintenance upkeep and anticipates additional parts or maintenance needed to support the lifecycle of the original product. By GCSS-Army overcoming the obsolete 'stovepipe' system, the supply chain is instead linear.

The 11th ACR's mission at the National Training Center is to serve as the opposing force for units training at NTC – in what amounts to a simulated combat environment. The undertaking requires a large amount of logistical support and puts heavy maintenance demands on an array of tactical and tracked vehicles.

Miller said that by having the 11th ACR integrate GCSS-A in a simulated combat, it allows the Army to use GCSS-A in a context as if it were at war, without having to test the system in a real deployed environment.

"This regiment has an amazing reputation around the Army as being able to take hold of new things, new concepts and put them in a context for the Army to learn from," Miller said.

Although STAMIS also sought transparency and accountability, GCSS-A brings corporate practices of efficiency to the Army supply chain concept. Where corporations seek to maximize efficiency for the sake of profit, the Army seeks to maximize efficiency for the sake of making the most of federal funding while increasing combat readiness worldwide.

Specialist Jalissa Rucker, an automated logis-

tics specialist assigned to Maintenance Troop, Regimental Support Squadron, 11th ACR, is a hands-on user of GCSS-A in support of the Regiment's large scale mission.

"It is very user friendly," Rucker said. "The most valuable part of the system is the fast response. As soon as we process a part, we can go pick it up."

Rucker explained that once a work order is generated by her office, she sends it to another section that begins their role in the processing of that order. They will in-turn, forward the order to the next section upon completion of their work. All the while, Rucker has the ability to see in GCSS-A at what step the work ticket is at and know by name and by time if a slowing in the process is occurring – eliminating redundancy and speeding the whole process.

Private 1st Class Suhyun Um, also an automated logistics specialist assigned to Maintenance Troop, sees another added efficiency bonus with GCSS-A.

"If we have a vehicle in our section that is down, we can see in GCSS-A if another section has that same vehicle with parts assigned to it, that are not being used and have the parts reassigned to us," Um said.

"As we go forward in time, it's important for us to understand how to gain a greater tactical advantage through logistics through the management of our supply chain and through the readiness of our equipment," Miller said.



Leaders from the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment participate in an interactive class for the Global Combat Support System - Army.

Army Values

'This is the year'

By Gustavo Bahena

Public Affairs Office

"Hey if we're going to do it, this is the year."

That was Capt. Jason King to his younger brother Master Sgt. Joshua King, an operations sergeant with 5th Special Forces Group at Fort Campbell, Ky., while discussing the 2015 Best Ranger Competition a few months ago.

The captain, who serves with the Army Corps of Engineers Los Angeles District, is stationed at Fort Irwin as the resident engineer for the water treatment plant project. He also oversees civil engineer projects repairing storm damage that occurred on Fort Irwin in 2013.

The brothers ultimately did participate as one of 50 teams in the April 10-12 trial held at Fort Benning, Ga. For the senior King, it was his first Best Ranger. His brother had competed three times previously, and had given the older brother "a hard time" about participating. Teams come from units who are eligible to be invited. The 5th SFG sponsored

Though not finishing, they competed in events such as: the Ranger physical assessment (monotone push-ups and sit-ups, two minutes each); five-mile

run followed by a two mile run with armor plates; Malvesti obstacle course; three-mile buddy run on uneven terrain (wooded area and mud creeks); a 700-meter swim; two-mile foot movement with ruck; an urban assault course; three-mile weighted carry foot movement (additional ammo can, approximately 80 pounds added to team); M4 rifle range; day orienteering (three hours of walking through heavy vegetation), and; the 15-mile night foot movement.

We didn't do as well as we wanted to," King said. "In fact we started in last place after the push up and sit up event, but slowly inched our way to 41st place prior to the night foot march."

King stated he appreciated spending a week with "what truly is the best of the best."

"These guys are amazing and, knowing that they are on our side, should have everyone confident that we have a very strong force defending our country," King said. "One competitor did 112 sit ups during the initial physical fitness event. 112!'

The engineer also stated he valued the time with his brother, including conducting an airborne jump during Competitors Week – prior to Best Ranger.

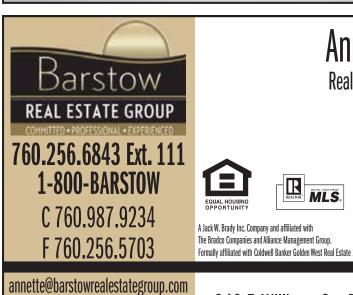
"Jumping with my brother was awesome and well worth all the painful events that would follow," King stated.



Photo courtesy of Capt. Jason King

Capt. Jason King and his younger brother Master Sqt. Joshua King competed in the 2015 Best Ranger Competition at Fort Benning, Ga., April 10-12.





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Changing of the Stole marks transition in pastoral duties

Submitted by Valerie Adams, Family Life Coordinator

Religious Support Services

Pastoral duties for two religious services transitioned to three pastors during ceremonies at the main post chapel here, March 22 and 29.

A Changing of the Stole ceremony March 22 was presided over by National Training Center and Fort Irwin Chaplain (Col.) Terry McBride. McBride oversaw Chaplain (Capt.) Wayne VandeKrol relinquish Multi-Cultural Gospel pastoral duties to incoming senior pastor, Chaplain (Capt.) Jason Haddock and associate pastor Chaplain (Capt.) David Spooner.

At the chapel's March 29 General Protestant Worship Service, McBride presided over a Changing of the Stole ceremony, where Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Barton Herndon relinquished duties as senior pastor of the congregation to Chaplain (Lt. Col.) John Morales. Chaplain Herndon

will continue serving, as the associate pastor, working with Chaplain Morales as the congregation's "spiritual team."

It was two great days to celebrate this rich tradition of the U. S. Army Chaplain Corps dating back to 1775, during the American Revolution. It symbolizes the act of Elisha taking the mantle of responsibility from Elijah and continuing to serve the Lord in "His calling" to minister to God's people, as described in 2 Kings, Chapter 2, of the Bible.

The congregations are looking with great anticipation to see how these chaplain teams will serve the Lord in "His calling" – just like Elisha.

Chaplain VandeKrol will be departing Fort Irwin for a follow-on assignment to Fort Belvoir, Va., as he attends the U.S Army Clinical Pastoral Education degree program.



Chaplain (Col.) Terry McBride bestows the stole on Chaplain (Capt.) Jason Haddock

Multi-Cultural Gospel Change of Stole: Chaplain (Col.) Terry McBride thanks Chaplain (Capt.) Wayne VandeKrol (left) for his service to the Gospel community and introducing Chaplain (Capt.) Jason Haddock and Chaplain (Capt.) David Spooner to the congregation.

Prepare for your summer move

Submitted by Maria Sanchez, Transportation Specialist

Transportation Office, Logistics Readiness Center

Moving in the summer months is especially challenging for military members, their families, and for the Defense Department's Defense Personal Property System (DPS).

Approximately 240,000 moves are processed during the peak moving season, which runs from May through August. The period from Memorial Day to Independence Day is the busiest part of the peak season.

Your first choices for pickup and delivery dates may not be available. Flexibility is key. Start early, with plans and checklists, and build extra time into your schedule for unexpected circumstances — even as you get ready to clear out of your current work assignments, your residence, and prepare for your new duty station.

Fort Irwin transportation specialists can help counsel DoD personnel and schedule their permanent change of station moves, using the Defense Personal Property Program (DP3) Web site www. move.mil. The Fort Irwin Personal Property and Travel Office is located in building 105 at the Fort Irwin Reception Campus on Langford Lake Road and Inner Loop. It is open weekdays, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The phone number is 380-5331. Ask for their cheat-sheet "Movement of your Personal Property."

Tips for a smooth move

Create your move application as soon as you receive your military orders, in person or on the Web. Learn how to use the DPS Web site www.move.mil. It may have changed since the last time

you used it. Any delay in submitting your application can make it more difficult for the transportation office to schedule your requested pick-up and delivery dates. Customers still need PCS orders before finalizing DPS self-counseling, but the key is to get your application in the system as soon as possible after receiving your assignment notification.

Create a personal move calendar with checklists, phone numbers, dates, and important Web links, on paper and/or online. Email to yourself the information, so you can access it on your secure cell phone or laptop.

Ask questions early. DPS lets you directly contact your commercial carrier to manage your move.

Requested pickup and delivery dates are not confirmed until mutually agreed between you and your commercial carriers. Pack, pick-up, and delivery dates are normally scheduled on weekdays. You or your designated representative must be available between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Longer hours may be required in some cases.

Take the seven question Customer Satisfaction Survey after your move. It accounts for 70 percent of your mover's performance score, and is used to keep quality movers in the program and to identify poor performers.

Don't ship small, extremely valuable items (e.g., stocks,

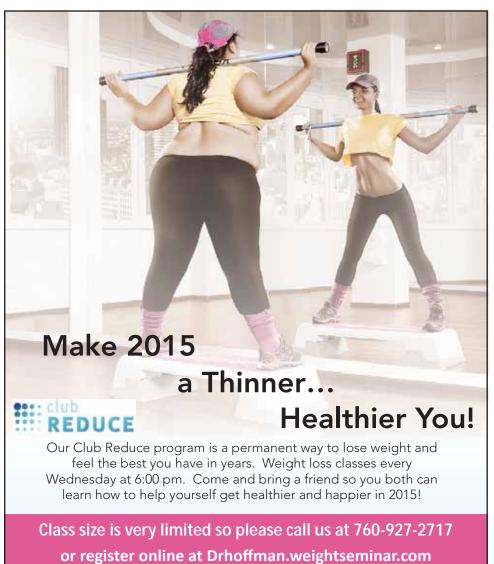


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Michelle Smith, outbound counselor with Personal Property and Travel Office here, provides a brief to Soldiers and a Department of the Army civilian pertaining to their move from here to a new duty station.

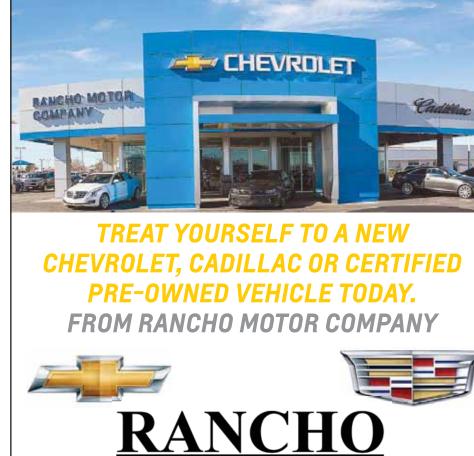
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straight freeways here. If you're the only driver in the vehicle, stop somewhere to get coffee, or stay at a hotel. If you're on the freeway, stay off the emergency lane. The right-hand shoulder is not the place to park. On and off-ramps are also not good, where people are speeding up and slowing down. Get completely off the highway and find a safe location. Lock your doors and roll up the windows, if you have to stay in your vehicle.

6. Other driving tips? Use the three-second rule. Maintain a safe distance between yourself and the car in front. Find a fixed object that the car in front of you passes, then count three seconds. You should be passing the object on the count of three. Flow of traffic rule? That's an unfounded myth. There is no law that says that you can go faster than the posted speed limit. Also, I've been told by people driving to Fort Irwin during early morning hours that drivers are keeping their high beams on. Be sure to turn them off when approaching other vehicles. Don't blind them and cause an accident. The CHP Web site is a good reference tool. Local live traffic incident information is at www.cad.chp.gov.

7. What should you do when you see an emergency? If you see emergency lights behind you, slow down and navigate your way to merge to the right shoulder. Don't go into the center divider (median strip), even if you're in the far left lane. If

you see emergency lights ahead, whether police, fire, or CALTRANS you are required by law to move to the lane away from the shoulder, or to slow down to a safe speed. Tractor trailer trucks are required to move over to the next lane and slow down, when they see a tractor trailer on the side of the road. Sometimes they do that unsafely, so keep your eyes on the road ahead and anticipate a truck might be moving into your lane, or slowing down considerably.

8. Does CHP have any driver safety programs? For teen drivers, we have a Start Smart program for them and their parents to teach new drivers how to drive safely and show the dangers of driving. Call the Barstow CHP office at (760) 255-8706 and ask for Officer Camara. The twohour class can be scheduled during the week, weekends or after hours, when we have enough people for a class. We also have a class for senior drivers, called Age Well, Drive Smart. It's often tough to know when to give up your keys. The class is not to take away the keys, but to teach seniors so they can extend their driving time. I did one at Barstow senior center the other week and also at the Barstow community hospital. Each class is about one to two hours. It's a fun class with videos and discussions. For both classes, attendees get a certificate of completion that some auto insurance companies may give you discount for attending.Fro

ing those who paid the ultimate sacrifice, and explained that the observance honors servicemembers who have died in service to the country.

"As a nation we are allowed to exist on the sacrifices of those who came before us," the colonel said.

Esmurria described those sacrifices as representing freedom across the world.

Memorial Day support, as an installation, is off-post – at ceremonies in the High Desert, said Braga. He encourages the Fort Irwin community to attend; the closest one takes place at Mountain View Cemetery in Barstow.

"Part of our job as Soldiers, and very importantly, is to be out there in uniform and have a presence to help recognize those past generations," Braga said.

At the Barstow event, leadership will speak and Soldiers perform the duties of an honor rifle squad and bugler.

Summer Safety

The command team spoke about summer safety, including water safety for the many who go to pools, lakes, rivers and the ocean. Always have a buddy when going swimming.

"We're in the desert, but a lot of people go to bodies of water for recreation," Braga said. "Please be safe in the water."

Braga also emphasized road safety. Children will be out of school by June and will be active on the installation, Braga said. Because of the summer break, crossing guards will not be present, so be on the lookout for the little ones.

When driving off post, Esmurria recommends having a contingency plan and Braga reminds us to be cognizant that Interstate 15 is one of the most dangerous roads here.

"There are a lot of people on the road in the summer, so drive safely," Braga said.

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A Tech Transmission

John Hogue - Owner



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The writers of this 2015 Look At Business are glad to suggest A TECH TRANSMISSION to all of our readers. They would like to join other area businesses in thanking our troops at Fort Irwin.



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The rock hound's headquarters, that's what they call DIAMOND PACIFIC TOOL CORPORATION located at 2620 W. Main St. in Barstow, phone 760-255-1030. This well established manufacturer features everything for the professional or amateur enthusiast, and a complete assortment of tumblers, saws, diamond saw blades, abrasives, and other equipment for the treasure hunter, and you can get in on this exciting (and profitable!) hobby for a lot less than you may think.

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Unique Landscaping John Heald - Owner With Over 30 Years Experience

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The writers of this 2015 Look At Business suggest that you contact this reputable firm when you have the need. The staff thanks the troops at Fort Irwin for their hard work and dedication.

Statewide Mini Storage

Bill & Sue Trautman - Resident Managers



Do you face piles of household goods and seasonal toys and sports equipment that you must store? Do you spend all winter fighting the plastic over your boat because there is no room in the garage for it? Is your garage so full of boxes that the poor car is left out in the cold? Is every corner of your business or office stacked with boxes of important papers that must be kept? But where do you put it all?

There is no reason for anyone to face such problems when the convenient services of STATEWIDE MINI STORAGE located at 1500 State St. in Barstow, phone **760-256-8846** are available. This storage facility offers rental units of various sizes for whatever you need to store on a month-to-month, or a long-term basis. You rent it...you lock it...and

all in complete security.

Contact STATEWIDE MINI STORAGE to make arrangements for storage of anything from office records, to extra business supplies, to RV's and boats! Costs are minimal, and think of all the extra room you will have in your home, apartment or business. Bill and Sue thank all the troops at Fort Irwin and they look forward to seeing you soon!

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Y2K Enterprise

Locally Owned & Operated By Micah Gray

Need an auto or truck part? Short of cash? Call Y2K ENTERPRISE and see just how little a good new or used auto or truck part can cost. Located at 1295 Riverside Dr. in Barstow, phone **760-256-5108**, this community-minded business has what you want!

The people of the High Desert area have come to depend on this reliable parts store for service and quality when it comes to parts...and for good reason! Their business was built on efficiency and customer satisfaction. People come back again and again when they know that low prices and great service go hand in hand at YZK ENTERPRISE.

If you have a junk car or truck that needs to be removed, Y2K ENTERPRISE will buy it for cash! The writers of this 2015 Look At Business feel that no listing would be complete without prominent mention of this fine firm. Micah and his crew thank all their valued customers from the greater Fort Irwin area and look forward to seeing you soon!



Barstow's Professional Pharmacy Since 1986

Catering to the family in the old fashioned tradition, THE PRESCRIPTION SHOPPE is the modern pharmacy with "old time" service! In fact, they are specialists in

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THE PRESCRIPTION SHOPPE is the only compounding pharmacy in town and they also have a complete line of medical supplies, diabetic teaching and supplies, senior discounts, free pickup and delivery in Barstow and the lowest prices in town for your prescriptions.

The writers of the 2015 Look At Business suggest that all of our readers shop where service and the customer are the main products. Maher and his professional staff thank all the troops at Fort Irwin and invite you to stop in often.



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Mead Mortuary Melinda Johnson - Manager

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PACE Janitorial Services

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The Cutting Edge Hair & Nail Salon A Beauty & Barber Shop Amber Woods - Owner & Stylist Find us on Facebook

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Although walk-ins are welcome, appointments are recommended. Today or the next time you are in town, give them a try. Amber and her staff thank all the troops at Fort Irwin and they look forward to handling your hair care, barbering and nail needs!

WalMart Of Barstow

Dennis Harrison - Store Manager

Located at 621 Montara Rd. in Barstow, phone 760-252-5000, WALMART OF BARSTOW is both familiar and popular with the people of this area, and it's the place where you can feel at home while you're shopping. Its friendly atmosphere that predominates at all times has placed this store in an individual class by itself and is the shopping headquarters for this entire area! That much discussed word, "SERVICE" finds true expression in the friendly atmosphere that envelops every customer in this store. WALMART OF BARSTOW features such items as men's, women's, and children's clothing; cosmetics; sporting goods; jewelry; electronics; household items; gardening supplies; automotive products and more.

Each department is managed by well-trained personnel and the latest merchandise is always seen on their shelves. The writers of this 2015 Look At Business suggest WALMART OF BARSTOW. You'll be pleased with the quality merchandise, the outstanding service, and the low prices that go hand in hand here.

Dennis and the staff thank all their valued and loyal customers and look forward to

greeting new customers. They join other businesses in our area in thank our troops here, the ones coming home, and those abroad.

High Rank Tattoo Company Pete Castaneda - Owner & Artist (Prior Military)

David Rudd - Artist

HIGH RANK TATTOO COMPANY at 605 E. Main St. in Barstow, phone 760-256-5791 or visit www.highranktattoo.com, is one

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HIGH RANK TATTOO COMPANY has been nominated one of the best shops in the

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GOOD YEAR

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Darling's Legal Typing Service Aaron Salas - Owner

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Come by or call today! The writers of this 2015 Look At Business would like to suggest this outstanding firm to all of our readers, for their courteous, honest and confidential services to this area. They wish to thank their many valued clients and friends and look forward to serving new clients in the coming months with the preparation of your document and typing needs.

Rimrock Villa Convalescent Hospital

Mary Lou Miller - Executive Director

This exceptionally fine convalescent hospital is trusted throughout the High Desert area by many families. RIMROCK VILLA CONVALESCENT HOSPITAL is probably doing more to promote the health and happiness of our seniors than any other similar facility. They are located at 27555 Rimrock Rd. in Barstow, phone **760-252-2515**.

RIMROCK VILLA CONVALESCENT HOSPITAL is equipped for total care, on a 24-hour basis, and is competently staffed by professionals who provide care with dignity and respect. All precautions for comfort, safety, and well being are taken, with complete rehabilitation therapy, doctor availability, planned activities, medication management,

Realizing that everyone likes to eat wholesome, appetizing food, the staff of RIMROCK VILLA CONVALESCENT HOSPITAL also specially prepares food for the special diet needs of the individuals. To find out more about this friendly, family style care center, or any other information, phone 760-252-2515. We, the writers of this 2015 Look At Business, know you'll be glad you did.

RIMROCK VILLA CONVALESCENT HOSPITAL is always looking for qualified caring individuals in the nursing and rehabilitation field.

Divine's Market & Liquor

Sandi Thomas - Owner & Operator

Occupying a unique niche in the modern scheme of big business is DIVINE'S MARKET & LIQUOR, a grocer in the old fashioned tradition of friendly, personal service. If you're tired of putting up with all the hassles involved in shopping at the large "discount" stores, get back to a mellower atmosphere by shopping this popular market.

Located at 25181 W. Main St. in Lenwood, phone 760-253-2211, this well known grocer stocks a very complete line of all your favorite products. Their complete departments have won the respect and admiration of all who sample its wares. DIVINE'S MARKET & LIQUOR features all of your favorite brands of soft drinks, moonshine, whiskey, gin, tequila, vodka, scotch, rum, brandy and other quality liquors. They also specialize in ice-cold beer in bottles, cans and kegs. Wine, too, is featured here and they have one of the finest selections anywhere. They also have an ATM machine, all of your sundries and much more.

We, the writers, are exceptionally happy to mention this fine, friendly market. You won't find better quality or better service anywhere. Sandi and the crew thank all their valued customers from Ft. Irwin and invite you to stop in often.



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